

## **Enterprise Shared Services/Service Oriented Architecture (ESS/SOA) Publishes Website Pages on OneVA EA Intranet Website**

*September 2013* - Based on direction from the Integrated Steering Council (ISC), the Enterprise Shared Services/Service Oriented Architecture (ESS/SOA) effort has been going strong for the past several quarters. The objective of ESS/SOA is to identify and implement common enterprise level services at the VA level, which simplifies the IT landscape by having single, authoritative services, instead of multiple similar services.

A keystone of ESS/SOA work is to ensure that the deliverables are communicated to the VA community, including the business offices, such as: OIT, PD, ePMO, and other areas. To that end, we are now taking our communications to a broader level with development of specific ESS/SOA website pages, which is now integrated with the OneVA EA website.

ESS/SOA is headed by ASD, with membership from many additional stakeholder areas, including ASD's Enterprise Architecture, Product Development, and the Business offices. Partnering with iEHR IPO, ESS/SOA has focused on maintaining consistency with the Open Group SOA Governance Reference Model, which provides a framework for tailoring the approach to the VA environment.

The website content is being developed from the ESS/SOA working group's deliverables described above, and is planned to be available on the VA Intranet as part of the OneVA EA September 2013 Release.

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